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THE PHIL-MONT MOBILE RADIO CLUB

EXT MEETING - Cassidy School, between 65th & 66th on Lansdowne, West Philadelphia, Pa.

DATE - First Monday of the Month, February 1, 1954.

REFRESHMENTS - DOOR PRIZES donated by Almo & Resco.

PROGRAM - Joe Fierstein W2DLY from Eckert Mauchly division of Remington Rand will speak to us on Electronic Digital Computers - Joe is one of club members - many thanks for your assist.

VISITORS TO THE LAST MEETING - W3QNS, W3QZO, W3AE, W3CRO, W6ONP, W4JQS, W3UBQ, W3CNO, W2HX.

NEW MOBILE HEARD - W3WGG. 48 Guests and members at the last meeting.

THE LATEST SCOOP - W3NIP, W3KNC, W3QQH performed a fine job on the WPA amateur broadcast - if we keep our ear to the ground, we will have sufficient material to push as club promotion on any program, including TV. It's about time we schemed up a good TV program, all it needs is horse power. The QSL cards are whipped into fine shape thru the efforts of W3JGB & W3IM. Jay designed the coat of arms and Bob followed thru. It's done in several colors with the club insignia in the center, your call on top, and address on the bottom. It is a credit to you and the club. The cost will be \$2.50 for the first 100 and 1.00 for the second. Orders must be made in groups of 10 - so far 2200 are on order in the first group - you must get yours in by the next meeting to be in on the first group. Feb. 21st is the next transmitter hunt rain or shine with W3DSG hiding it. Last time no one could find it so Ernie is going to do it again. So far the rules still stand - \$20 first prize - they may be modified a bit but it will be well worth your while to participate. Erratta - we reported the RACES setup in Jersey incorrectly so far no written correction has come across EDs desk so we'll wait for the right scoop.

This scandal sheet's reporters and Editors write 'em as we hear & see 'em. Much of our info is hearsay. There is no intent toward degradation, defamation or misrepresentation. We have made some serious blunders in the past, for which we are truly sorry, however they are bound to creep into this rag. Bear with us - we endeavor to be diligent. We, meaning all blurb reporters and editors, cannot be responsible for inaccuracies for the nature of the beast.

All committees have been reestablished with only a few changes. A list will be printed as soon as it is available. W3ADF was the magnet that drew W3HFD, W3UKF, W3EOZ & W3CUB out to a mid month meeting - don't know how you did it Bill but nice going. Bill substituted for W3DSG in time of need and had a nice sociable meeting. W3HYU got in good graces of the local Police Dept by fixing the Chief's TV set. Al got a traffic ticket - in the next township - there 'ain't' no justice says he. W3IM made many favorable noises at the mid month meeting about his new Elmac receiver - Looks like he hit the jack pot or was it the XYL's Xmas present Jay? W3VYS is looking for 814's - W3LJ has 'em and also has 24Gs' for trade. W3IW has the coax ant. up 8' hi for tests - very satisfactory so far. W3VZC has Viking Mobile for sale or trade and is looking for a home receiver. W3UXP wishes to contact persons interested in 420 mc. He will also listen on 6 for those who want to make tests. W3EM needs a 14,7465 rock for W3LIV - this is half the net freq. W3CDY has mobile xmtr for sale or trade - 807 final xtal control with dynamotor \$35. Take this down in a safe place, the club room phone number is Gr 7-9705 which the xyl can call to find out how hi the snow bank is you are buried in - in case same or similar emergency happen. There is almost always some one on duty when the going gets rough. SX-42 for sale in new shape, \$155. W3CTT worked Florida to home with W3RIE at the receiving end - a long distance skip-intra club record so far. Roy W3PMD now W4LSC, Camp LeJeune N.C. would like to beat gums with you all on 3810kc Sundays 7:00 Am. EDs note (if that ole bat doesn't pick a better hour he's going to be beating gums with himself the band swings from south to west at 7:30. The W4's barrel into Philly FB in the evenings, Roy, you name it.) W3IW now as the gargoyles (gargles) out of his modulation - now now about W3KNC. W3MVG is sporting a new Johnson Bi-net on his Buick- Xmas present from his daughter. W3QZO is very much interested in the club and is looking for antenna and rig recommendations. You boys who want to sell see him. An RCA boy wants an SX-25 or similar receiver see W3PXV. WN3VWX finally made a meeting. Where has W3IHS been the last few meetings. Some one suggested we get a more appropriate name for this rag - comments are invited pro and con - we're listening. It can be changed as fast

as it takes this typer machine to beat it out. W2GIG has VOM, Tube checker, Sig. Gen, and lots of other gear for sale see W3EXY. W3EXY promised to get the Swap Sheet worked up and attach it to this rag however priority activities slowed him down somewhat. As you may know W3EXY, Harold, Doc, is a MD. As we understand it he is specializing in 'psychiatry', (couldn't find that one in the dictionary) and in order to qualify as a specialist, he had to take his State Board Exam. We are happy to announce he passed with flying colors. Doc you now have 71 club members who urgently need your help. To get back on the subject Doc is in charge of all swap information - see him if you need rigs, receivers, cracks removed from you head, or crackpots removed from next door. W3MVG reports: Milt W3TYU is on the air with a Viking II. He is selling his other gear. W2ZEW (Roney) is getting his new radio shack enclosed. Helen's QTH will occupy most of the house H1. Roney's small portion includes a possible basement swimming pool. ED's note (that I have to see). It was Roney's father W2ZNO who relayed W3ZN's message from the NJ turnpike to EM. The Philmont club is well known in Trenton for its activities on the Net Freq. Maybe Ron can do something about it from his new QTH. The Three Muskateels KIW-VOC-MVG had their noonday QSO's shaken up a bit when VOC became a roving inspector. W3RIE was very successful in getting the Bucks County 2 meter net started. W3HYU, our technical editor, worked up a scoop sheet on a proposed 6 meter converter which didn't get covered at the last meeting. We hope to have it attached to the blurb by mailing time. If the truth were known, Al, as Technical Editor, puts in twice as much work for the club as the rest of us with very little credit. His activity doesn't make a lot of noise and fanfare, as some of them do, but it is one of the rocks on which the club is built. The 6 meter idea is part of a growing trend in the club to spark plug alternate bands for club activity. ED had his ears beat off a year ago for suggesting a similar proposal. Anyhoo 6 meters and 160 are under consideration as mobile frequencies. ED has about 14 states & England worked on six but no mobile experience. It is his opinion 6 is a compromise between 10 & 2 mobilewise. 10 is a borderline case with regard to blanketing - two meters is almost impossible -so 6 is going the wrong way. 6 is an approved CD freq. and 10 is not. ED belonged to a club in Detroit who worked 160 mobile - there are many things in 160's favor mobilewise - QRM is low, no blanketing - cars used to sail around downtown Detroit amongst all the buildings and the S meter never wavered, you can cover a 20 - 30 mile radius easily - the rig is easy to build. 160 is not a CD approved freq. We have to consider a few basic things first - Why do we want to change? Do we want CD approval and at what expense? Do we want solid signals and at what expense? You think it over and be prepared to discuss the point at the next meeting. Ellen WLYYM reports ARRL is bailing themselves out of a fire at WIAW. She offered ARRL's sample broadcast script as a guide for our programs and also a TV program including slides covering the interference problem. She suggests we use their training aid quizzes for some future meeting. All we have to do is ask for 'em.

The following letter was read before the club at the January meeting:

"The members of the PHIL-MONT MOBILE RADIO CLUB have unanimously agreed that:

ROBERT FERREE W3JGB

has been this organization's MOST VALUABLE MEMBER for the year 1953. His assistance on the daily Scrambled Egg Net and the weekly 10 on 10 Net have increased net frequency activity and 10 meter mobile activity in general. As outgoing officers for the year 1953, we take this opportunity to convey our thanks for the help he has given us and the club.

Signed: C. M. Snyder W3NIP, President  
J. H. Gaul W3IM, Vice President  
C. R. Spencer Jr. W3QQH, Secretary  
E. Juliani W3DSG, Treasurer

(1953 Officers)

There sure was a news happy bunch at the mid-month meeting. They were loaded --- with news that is. W3GIF is taking a trip to Toledo & wants the gang to look for him on 75. W3QFY switched to model airplanes, seems like the expanding family is pushing him out of the house. The club has a lot of rabbit news to report - a whole flock of them in fact. Mrs. W3PST has a little one - pants or skirt we don't know. W3ZN has a granddaughter. W3CUB is about to become a grandfather - you would never think it would you. His name is no longer Windy Bill - it is now Grandpa Bill. ---- Boy! he sure must be old. Judy, Mrs. W3QFY is suffering key clicks lately - any minute now. Erma, Mrs. W3MXP is blessed with a 9 lb. 2 oz. baby boy - congratulations Chuck. W3KCG bought a heathkit and expects to modulate it with 6V6s'. Permission has been granted by Glenside Kiawanis to use the photograph of our road signs on the front cover of CQ magazine.

Our sign is being hung on their sign posts at all entrys to the Phila. suburban area announcing to all the incoming mobiles the being of the Phil-Mont Mobile Radio Club. It would be nice to get some club promotion pictures into QST too -- wonder if W1YYM could help with some suggestions on what would be applicable. How about it Ellen? W3DSG is very pleased with his new TNS. ED's feelings have been irreparably hurt - W3UVL wanted to know who George King was. With no reflections on Russ it brings a moot point to mind. ED has long been an advocate of 'Gladhanding' which means in a very few words - 'introducing yourself to every strange face you see at the club meeting. It's a sad day in May when the fellows in the club meetings sit around with blank stares at on their face when someone says Hi. The club was founded and has prospered on the fact that everyone personally knew everyone else, how the wife is, rabbits, & the rig lineup. (There must be a word that covers what we are trying to say). Oddly enuf some don't think it important to take the time out in the meetings to introduce the club around. ED is willing to bet a good used cigar there are 10% of the individuals at the meetings who don't even know the officers. Don't feel bad Russ - this blast at the boys has been coming for some time - confidentially ED didn't know who W3UVL was either. We are all at fault. You have attended meetings of very large clubs, no doubt, where everyone goes out to the meeting and sits in straight formality - looking quite blankly at everyone else. ED can name a few in the midwest famous for it. The day this happens to the PMRC we had better close our membership. We now have 71 members, a jump of about 11 in as many weeks. You may think it a drastic move to limit our membership - it is - would you prefer to grow to a size where everything is on an impersonal basis, factions develop, politics evolve, and about that time someone accuses the club of being run and operated by a clique? You don't have to go very far away and into clubs much smaller than ours where this has been the case. Think about this one a bit - you are a club member - sound off - some concrete suggestions are in order. Amen - enuf of that. Look what you started Russ - Hi. Bob Lauchman W3OEC visited the midmonth meeting - glad to have you Bob. We would like your candid opinion of the shenanigans that go on. W3ADF was checking his neighbor's TV for u-no-what and switched on a gallon of 10 meters, a gallon of 20 meters, a gallon of 75 and a few of 2 meters - just about that time the lights went out all over the world. W3SMA wanted in on the club so he tried to get a hold of W3IW to start the all arolling. This was on a Saturday morning and with not much luck on the lower frequencies. So Paul went over to IW's QTH to inquire. Bob called W3KNC of the membership committee who approved his application, and also Money Bags Ernie who made sure the coffers were filled. Paul received a crystal and is now pleased to be able to raise someone on the net freq. Paul is a river boat pilot and lives in Havertown - listen for him. W3IW complains his snow chains on his heap are made of monkey links - you are not alone. W3STA has a new heap. And so does W3AAG. Frenchies dad is seriously ill in the Veterans Hospital. W3HFD & W3KDO both have new Leece Neviles. Richmond Control Center, Staten Island W2GGD is being heard consistently by the gang - some tie up is planned. We would be glad to hear of their activities for this rag. Nuf for now - we went over a bit because of the short one during the holidays. Changes are being made in the blurb set up, so expect anything next month.

SEN 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. weekdays  
 "10 on 10" Sunday 10 a.m.  
 Blarney sessions anytime  
 All on 29493.2

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**Philmont Mobile Radio Club  
Special**

Starting with this issue is the birth of a new feature (for us) called  
"The Hobbly Hobby Page"

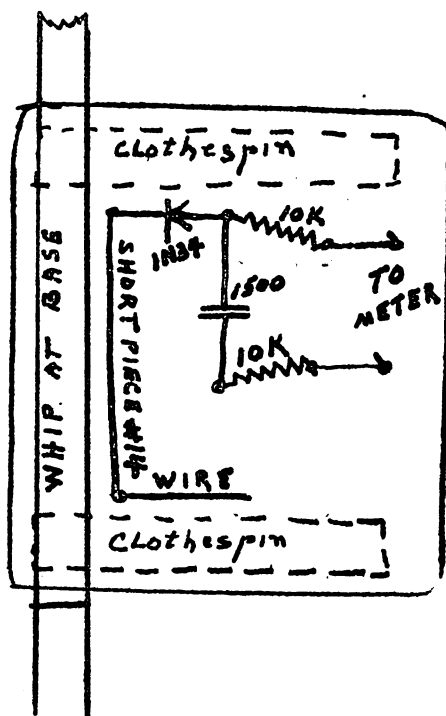
Each issue will feature an idea or gadget to make mobile radio either more enjoyable or less strenuous. I know all of you will have some thing to contribute to this sheet so put it on paper, give it to 3 HYU and in due course it will be printed for all to use.

To start us out on the correct foot this month we have a contribution from W 3 CDY and applies to those who trunk mount the transmitter and usually depend on a plug in meter to tune up the rig.

This device disregards the plate current and gives actual radiated output. It could be called a field strength meter which is all it is but in a novel compact easy to use form.

In use the gadget is clamped near the spring mount on the antenna where R F is picked up by the pick up line and rectified by the xtal and the resulting voltage actuates the meter. Merely tune the rig for maximum output.

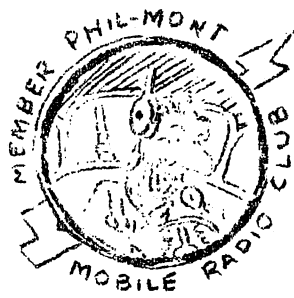
- Parts needed
- 1 piece of plexiglas 3 inches square
  - 2 10 000 ohm  $\frac{1}{2}$  W resistors
  - 1 1500 uuf ceramic cond.
  - 1 1N34 crystal
  - 2 Spring type clothespins Plastic if possible
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